

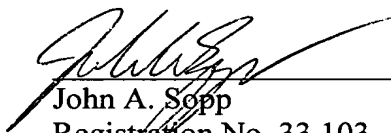
REMARKS

The remarks made in the Reply filed December 22, 2005, still apply. Claims 12 and 13 are amended herein because it was not necessary to limit claims 12 and 13 by the proviso added into claim 1. Thus, claims 12 and 13 are rewritten as independent claims in their original claim scope. The cited prior art fails to teach a composition containing applicants' pigment and either a food additive or a pharmaceutical medicament. For example, the Use Examples in Ambrosius (WO 03/006558) are for cosmetic, printing ink, plastic or paint compositions for which one of ordinary skill in the art would have no suggestion to include a food additive or pharmaceutical medicament.

It is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. However, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned to discuss any unresolved matters.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

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